

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1535**

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**Introduced by Committee on Elections and Redistricting**

March 25, 2015

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An act to amend Sections 103, 9602, and 11303 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1535, as introduced, Committee on Elections and Redistricting. Elections: petitions.

Existing law authorizes a voter who has signed an initiative, referendum, or recall petition to remove his or her name from the petition by filing a written request to do so with the appropriate county elections official prior to the day the petition is filed.

This bill would require the written request filed with the elections official to include the voter's name, residence address, and signature.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 103 of the Elections Code is amended to
- 2 read:
- 3 103. A voter who has signed an initiative, referendum, or recall
- 4 petition pursuant to the Constitution or laws of this state shall have
- 5 his or her signature withdrawn from the petition upon filing a
- 6 written request ~~therefor~~ *that includes the voter's name, residence*
- 7 *address, and signature* with the appropriate county elections
- 8 official or city elections official prior to the day the petition is

1 filed. A written request made under this section shall not constitute  
2 a petition or paper for purposes of Section 104.

3 SEC. 2. Section 9602 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

4 9602. A voter who has signed an initiative or referendum  
5 petition, and who subsequently wishes his or her name withdrawn,  
6 may do so by filing a written request for the withdrawal with the  
7 appropriate elections official *that includes the voter's name,*  
8 *residence address, and signature.* This request shall be filed in the  
9 elections official's office prior to the date the petition is filed. A  
10 written request made under this section shall not constitute a  
11 petition or paper for purposes of Section 104.

12 SEC. 3. Section 11303 of the Elections Code is amended to  
13 read:

14 11303. A voter who has signed a recall petition shall have his  
15 or her signature withdrawn from the petition upon filing a written  
16 request ~~therefor~~ *that includes the voter's name, residence address,*  
17 *and signature* with the elections official prior to the day the petition  
18 section bearing the voter's signature is filed. A written request  
19 made under this section shall not constitute a petition or paper for  
20 purposes of Section 104.